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Last 24 hours' rainfall, .00; Temperature, max.
78; min. 69; Weather, fair, fresh trades.

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Ton, \$96.125. 88 Analysis Beets, 14s 6d; Per
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REPORT OF COMMISSIONER JUDD ON PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Most Serious Reflection is Upon Miss Davison, but Atkinson Lacks Business Method and Rodgers is too Old.

Yesterday morning the report of Mr. Albert F. Judd, who made an investigation of affairs in the school department as the personal representative of Governor Carter, was submitted to the Governor. The report, printed in full herewith, is a somewhat extended document, going at great length into the affairs of the Department of Education, with the final conclusion that there are irregularities of administration, and that Superintendent Atkinson has let matters in this regard get too largely into the hands of his subordinates.

Mr. Judd concludes that the Department, like an old and reliable business concern that has gone to seed, should be completely reorganized. He suggests, further, that while there is no criticism of honesty or methods of Secretary Rodgers, a younger and more energetic man could be profitably substituted in that position.

The report deals most harshly with Miss Rose Davison, school agent for Honolulu, whose method in relation to the cashing of warrants of men employed as laborers in the Department has left her conduct open to question, according to Mr. Judd. Furthermore, a direct recommendation is made that Miss Davison should be called to account by some competent authority in the matter of the warrant of one D. Kalimahana, a carpenter, working for the School Department. This warrant purports to have been signed by Kalimahana. Miss Davison, according to Mr. Judd, testified to the genuineness of the signature, whereas the commissioner himself expresses the opinion, upon strong evidence, that Kalimahana did not sign the paper at all.

When the report was submitted to Governor Carter yesterday he held a long consultation upon it with Mr. Judd, and almost immediately afterwards called Attorney-General Lorrin Andrews and Deputy Attorney-General Prosser into conference. It was stated at that time that the whole Judd report would be referred to the Attorney-General for his action. This, however, was not done.

Late in the afternoon, after the Governor had gone over the report very carefully, Kalimahana and Miss Rose Davison were sent for and were confronted in the Governor's office. Kalimahana told the Governor that Miss Davison signed this particular warrant at his request, his hand being sore at the time, and himself unable to write. He did not charge her with having received the money. Miss Davison, it is said, denied that she signed the warrant for him—or, at least, had no memory of the circumstance.

Governor Carter said later that he had not desired to make the Judd report public until Miss Davison had been given a chance to read that portion of it concerning herself, and to make any statement that she might desire about it.

At this confrontation, Miss Davison said that she could not say at that time whether she desired to make any statement or not. A little bit later the report was given out. It has not yet been referred to the Attorney-General's department, although that course may be taken today. Afterwards, it is entirely possible that the grand jury, which body meets next week, may take cognizance of some of the matters contained in the document. The text of the report follows:

COMMISSIONER JUDD'S REPORT.

Honolulu, March 29, 1905.
Honorable George R. Carter, Governor of Hawaii, Honolulu—

Dear Sir: The investigation into the "conduct of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Secretary of the Department of Public Instruction, and the School Agent (of Honolulu)," which by your letter of March 21, 1905, you asked me to undertake as your personal representative, I have concluded. In your letter you state: "I wish to know: First, if there has been any misapplication of Territorial funds on the part or through the agency of any of them; second, if there have been any irregularities in the handling of funds, which perhaps do not constitute a misapplication of funds; third, whether or not they have performed their duties, consistent with sound principles of high public service."

You have allowed me to "conduct the proceedings in any way you see fit in order to get at the truth." With this latitude allowed me, I chose to conduct the investigation openly, and to thus afford the persons interested every opportunity to present such evidence and make such statements as they or their attorney should see fit to bring before me. Public sessions were held by me at the "Bungalo," in Honolulu, on March 22, 23, 24, and 25, Messrs. Thielens and Creedon acting as reporters. At these sessions Mr. Atkinson, the Superintendent; Dr. Rodgers, the Secretary, Miss Davison, the School Agent, and their attorney, Mr. J. J. Dunne, were present, as were also members of the press, several of the Commissioners of Public Instruction, employees of the department, and four members of the public. Mr. Prosser of the Attorney-General's Department also attended the sessions. I conducted personally the examination of the various witnesses. Both Mr. Prosser and Mr. Dunne, from time to time, offered written suggestions, from which I asked further questions on various matters which each of them desired to have elucidated.

The record of these proceedings

contains statements of Mr. Atkinson, Dr. Rodgers, Miss Davison, Auditor Fisher and Deputy Auditor Meyers, and is submitted with this report.

In addition to this, I personally made an examination of the records of the office of the department, and asked Mr. J. O. Young to report to me concerning the details of certain matters, all of which appear in Mr. Young's letter to me, transmitted herewith.

Certain letters from Auditor Fisher, Dr. Rodgers and Professor Alexander, appended to this report, will be noticed later.

MISAPPLICATION OF FUNDS.
Concerning the possible misapplication of Territorial funds on the part of those under investigation, I can report only on the evidence appearing in the transcript taken in public and the report of Mr. Young.

Concerning Mr. Atkinson and Dr. Rodgers, nothing has come to my attention which would even suggest the possibility of any breach of the trust reposed in them. Miss Davison should be called upon by proper authority to explain the endorsements appearing on the back of voucher No. 8473. She stated that she made out the face of this bill. D. Kalimahana, a carpenter working for the department, is the creditor of the department on this voucher, and the endorsement purports to be from him to Miss Davison. She stated that Kalimahana was the "oldest man in the service and the man I rely on;" that the endorsement "David Kalimahana" looked like his handwriting; that "I have seen it so many times I hope I am familiar with it;" that "I think it is his signature. I would not have received that bill if it had not been his signature. I tell you what is the matter with David sometimes. He is a man that will take liquor, and he might be a little shaky. But it looks like his writing."

A comparison of this endorsement with several other endorsements on

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EXTRACTS FROM THE JUDD REPORT.

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No law was violated * * * but it would seem that there was only one step further necessary to have a complete example of the use of public office for private ends; the situation may perhaps be described as culture, ready for the bacillus of graft. * * *

I do not think I put it too strongly when I say that the idea in the department seems to have been "how much we can spend or 'squeeze out,'" and not "how far can we make this money go." * * *

While I recognize the value to the department of Dr. Rodgers's experience, resulting from six years careful work as Secretary of the department, I am reluctantly forced, from my observation, to suggest that a more energetic man could probably be obtained for this position at the same salary. * * *

I have already commented somewhat on the work of Miss Davison. I must, however, say that she shows an intimate knowledge of matters under her jurisdiction; that she is energetic and capable, doing her work with enthusiasm. She has had, however, very little supervision, and has, I believe, absorbed some duties and responsibilities that do not belong to her. * * *

A large part of the responsibility for the lack of method in the department must fall on the Superintendent who, by the statute, is made the chief administrative officer of the department. * * *

These criticisms of Mr. Atkinson reach only to the administrative side of his office in contradistinction to the educational side. Here I find nothing to condemn, and much to praise. * * *

Concerning the administrative side of the department, as shown in the office in Honolulu, I may, perhaps, characterize the situation as resembling that of a respectable old business house, that needs to be shaken up and modernized.

WILLIAMS IS WANTED

Former Maui Assistant Postmaster May be in Africa.

The Postal authorities, here and on the mainland, are extremely anxious to get their hands upon Fred Williams, well known in Honolulu, and in particular in postal circles.

Williams was until March 19, 1904, assistant postmaster at Puunene, Maui, the central postal point for the Spreckels plantations. H. P. Baldwin was the postmaster. On March 19, Williams drew six money orders on various post offices in California payable to the order of R. A. Best.

Unfortunately he neglected to deposit the face value of the orders in the postal funds though he must be given the credit for paying the charges on the orders. On four of them he paid in one dollar each, on another 65 cents and on the last 85 cents. To all these orders he signed the name "H. P. Baldwin, Per 'E.' Who 'E.' is a puzzle. After accomplishing this little transaction, Williams got a lay-off and took the Alameda, for California, sailing from Honolulu March 21, 1904. Once in the Golden State he proceeded to give an exhibition of "frenzied finance" methods. Assuming the name of "R. A. Best," he cashed an order for \$100 at San Jose on March 31, 1904.

Williams cashed the entire six orders, and these are now all in the hands of U. S. District Attorney Breckons. Twenty postal inspectors on the mainland are now looking for Williams. One story is that he is in Australia.

It is said that Williams is now in South Africa.

NO PROFIT IN CUT-RATE BEEF

At a meeting of the directors of the Metropolitan Meat Co., Ltd., held yesterday morning it was decided to increase the price of beef in the company's retail markets to the old rate, except in the case of customers who buy their meat for cash, when the present reduced rate will be charged. A discount also will be allowed to the credit customers who pay their bills before the tenth of the month following. The experiment of reducing the price of beef did not turn out as was expected, there being no increase in the consumption.

WHEN IS A MAN DRUNK?

Testimony on the Condition of Kinau Junketers.

The looked-for statement by President Pinkham of the Board of Health was not forthcoming at last night's meeting of the Achi Committee of investigation into the recent trip to Molokai. Senators Dickey, Woods and Wilcox and Pinkham himself were all present at 7:30 the hour called for the meeting but it was nearly 8 o'clock when Senator Achi put in an appearance.

"Do you want to make any statement?" asked Achi of Pinkham as soon as the meeting came to order. "I understood," said Pinkham, "that my statement was to be made in writing and I have not yet prepared it. I was telephoned only at 6 o'clock this evening that there was to be an investigation into the condition of affairs on the steamer Kinau on the trip to Kalaupapa."

"You wanted two days," replied Achi, "and you have had two days in which to prepare your statement." "That's true," said Pinkham, "but I've been busy with other matters."

It was suggested that he might be ready with it by tomorrow night but on the request of Senator Woods the matter was postponed until Monday night as Woods has two committee meetings to attend meanwhile.

Then came the witnesses and in reading their evidence it is necessary to bear in mind that at a recent meeting of the committee, Supt. McVeigh had stated that the situation got out of hand at Molokai on account of the number of drunken persons who had landed from the Kinau and had done pretty much as they pleased.

William Savidge, clerk of the Senate, was first called. He had visited Kalaupapa on the 19th inst. and had gone ashore a little before noon. He saw a number of drunken people ashore, he did not count them, but there might have been about twenty. He saw drunks both aboard the Kinau and ashore. Some were not very drunk but were under the influence of liquor. He saw no fights nor any breach of the peace.

"Did you see any drunken person abuse any of the lepers?" asked Senator Woods.

"I did not," said Savidge. "The only liquor I saw ashore," he continued, "was a bottle of beer at McVeigh's and I drank that myself."

Representative Broad who was called said that he saw liquor at McVeigh's house but saw none landed

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JAPAN WILL STAND PAT FOR A LARGE WAR INDEMNITY

Meanwhile Her Army at the Front is Receiving Large Reinforcements.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Mar. 31.—Minister Takahashi declares that as the present war will cost Japan \$550,000,000 it is not likely that she will waive an indemnity. She will certainly demand her expenses. The Russian assumption that a prolongation of the war would deplete Japan's resources is unfounded, as the country is making remarkable progress.

WAR WILL GO ON.

TOKIO, Mar. 31.—Peace rumors will not affect the attitude of the government. The newspapers are urging a vigorous prosecution of the war.

JAPANESE REINFORCEMENTS.

HARBIN, Mar. 31.—Heavy Japanese reinforcements are arriving. It is snowing in Manchuria.

AFTERNOON REPORT.

GUNSHU PASS, Mar. 30.—The Japanese have assumed the administration of government in Manchuria.

The Japanese have three lines of railroad communicating with Seoul. Fresh Japanese troops are arriving, to reinforce Marshal Oyama's army.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 30.—It is understood that the Imperial Commission has decided to continue the war with Japan.

INTERNAL TROUBLES OF RUSSIA ARE INCREASING

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 31.—It is reported that Alexieff will succeed the murdered Grand Duke Sergius as governor of Moscow. THE CZAR UNEASY.

MOSCOW, Mar. 31.—It is said that the Czar will issue a rescript urging the necessity for haste in convening an assembly of the people. Numerous arrests of bomb-throwers and terrorists have been made, including two women.

SUPPRESSING REFORMS.

MOSCOW, Mar. 31.—A workingmen's association, which has been prominent in urging reforms in the government, has been suppressed by the police.

CHINA WAKING UP.

LONDON, Mar. 31.—China proposes reorganizing her army and recreating her navy so as to be able to defy Russia within ten years.

KAISER'S MOROCCO TRIP DISPLEASES GREAT BRITAIN

TANGIER, Mar. 31.—An elaborate reception is awaiting the Emperor of Germany.

LONDON, Mar. 31.—The newspapers regard the Kaiser's visit to Morocco as an unfriendly act in that it will stiffen the sultan's resistance to France and retard the Anglo-French agreement. The exchange of visits between the French and British fleets is hailed with satisfaction.

O'GRADY TO THE FRONT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 31.—Alexander O'Grady, an attorney-at-law, has been appointed chief of police of this city.

THE COILS TIGHTENING ABOUT NAN PATTERSON

CINCINNATI, Mar. 31.—Morgan Smith and wife, the latter a sister of Nan Patterson, have been arrested. Smith was the fugitive witness in the Patterson case.

NEW YORK, Mar. 31.—Nan Patterson, Morgan Smith and the latter's wife have been indicted for conspiracy to murder.